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Invention Title METHOD FOR TRANSMITTING SIGNALING AND CONTROL INFORMATION FOR WAVELENGTH-DIVISION MULTIPLEX NETWORKS FOR USE IN OPTICAL, FIBER-BOUND INFORMATION TRANSFER		Inventor(s)  ZEFFLER et al.		

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

- 1. In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in conformance with the procedures of 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98 and M.P.E.P. § 609, attorneys for Applicants hereby bring the references listed on the attached modified PTO Form No. 1449 to the attention of the Examiner. It is respectfully requested that the information be expressly considered during the prosecution of this application, and that the references be made of record therein and appear among the "References Cited" on any patent to issue therefrom.
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### OTHER DOCUMENTS

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